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Dear Customer,

Please be aware that water/sewer customers will see a rate increase, effective for the October billing cycle. These bills will be mailed out around the first of November. The rate increase will be applied through the Regional Sewer Charge (RSC), which will increase from \$2.25 per 1,000 gallons to \$4.25 per 1,000 gallons. There is no increase in the minimum or volumetric charges for water or sewer.

Rates are only increased when it's absolutely necessary, and this increase is necessary for several reasons: to offset the high costs PRVWSD is paying regional sewer providers, to offset increased costs for upkeep and maintenance of infrastructure, and because PRVWSD, as a state agency, is not allowed to borrow money the same way as municipalities and other water/sewer companies. We want to ensure that our infrastructure is maintained in great condition, and we want to guarantee great service for all of our customers.

Here are some examples of bills that customers can expect based on the new rates:

Usage: between 3,000 - 3,999 gallons

Minimum Water Bill (3,000 gallons): \$14; Minimum Sewer Bill (3,000 gallons): \$16 Volumetric Charge for Water per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $5.50 \times 0 = 0$ Volumetric Charge for Sewer per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $5.50 \times 0 = 0$

Regional Sewer Charge Rate per 1,000 Gallons: \$4.25 x 3 = \$12.75

Total: \$42.75

Usage: between 4,000 - 4,999 gallons

Minimum Water Bill (3,000 gallons): \$14; Minimum Sewer Bill (3,000 gallons): \$16 Volumetric Charge for Water per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $$5.50 \times 1 = 5.50 Volumetric Charge for Sewer per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $$7.50 \times 1 = 7.50

Regional Sewer Charge Rate per 1,000 Gallons: \$4.25 x 4 = \$17.00

Total: \$60.00

Usage: between 5,000 - 5,999 gallons

Minimum Water Bill (3,000 gallons): \$14; Minimum Sewer Bill (3,000 gallons): \$16 Volumetric Charge for Water per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $5.50 \times 2 = 11$ Volumetric Charge for Sewer per 1,000 Gallons after the First 3,000: $5.50 \times 2 = 11$

Regional Sewer Charge Rate per 1,000 Gallons: \$4.25 x 5 = \$21.25

Total: \$77.25

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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John Sigman, Executive Director